## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

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Plaintiff,	
-against- ) Civil Action No	
Franklin/Templeton Distributors, Inc., Frank T. Crohn, Burton J. Greenwald, Charles Rubens II, Leonard Rubin And William J. Lippman,	
Defendants, ) -and-	
Franklin Balance Sheet Investment Fund,	
Nominal Defendant. )	

## DECLARATION OF MICHAEL CORCORAN

- I, Michael Corcoran , make oath and say:
- I am Treasurer and CFO of Franklin/Templeton Distributors, Inc.,
   ("Distributors"). I submit this Affidavit in support of the Defendants' Motions to Dismiss.
  - 2. Distributors has its principal place of business and operations in California.
- 3. The Franklin Balance Sheet Investment Fund (the "Fund") has its principal executive offices in California and is managed by its adviser located in New Jersey.
- 4. By vote of a majority of the outstanding voting securities of the Fund and vote of the Fund's trustees, the Fund adopted a Plan of Distribution under SEC Rule 12b-1.
- 5. The Fund maintains a bank account in New York with the Bank of New York ("New York Account").

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- 6. Distributors maintains a bank account in California with the Bank of America ("California Account").
- 7. No bank account is maintained in Massachusetts by either the Fund or Distributors.
- 8. Payment of 12b-1 Plan fees from the Fund to Distributors is effectuated by the transfer of funds from the New York Account to the California Account. No 12b-1 fees are paid to or from Massachusetts.

Signed under the penalties of perjury this 24 day of August, 2004.

Dated: August 24, 2004

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